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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Before examining the subject application, please amend the subject application as follows.

## In the Cross-Referenced Cases:

Please replace the following paragraphs with new paragraphs shown below.

- [0002] U.S. Patent Application No. XX/XXX,XXX 10/624,265 [Attorney Docket No. PANA-01075US1], entitled METHODS FOR CONDITIONAL SERVOWRITING, by Richard M. Ehrlich, filed concurrently; July 22, 2003;
- [0003] U.S. Patent Application No. 10/420,452 [Attorney Docket No. PANA-01017US2], entitled SYSTEMS FOR SELF-SERVOWRITING WITH MULTIPLE PASSES PER SERVOWRITING STEP, by Richard M. Ehrlich, filed April 22, 2003;
- •[0004] U.S. Patent Application No. 10/420,076 [Attorney Docket No. PANA-01018US2], entitled SYSTEMS FOR SELF-SERVOWRITING USING WRITE-CURRENT VARIATION, by Richard M. Ehrlich, filed April 22, 2003;
- [0005] U.S. Patent Application No. XX/XXX,XXX 10/621,068 [Attorney Docket No. PANA-01022US2], entitled SYSTEMS FOR WORF IMPROVEMENT, by Thorsten Schmidt, filed July 16, 2003;
- [0006] U.S. Patent Application No. XX/XXX,XXX 10/622,233 [Attorney Docket No. PANA-01068US2], entitled SYSTEMS FOR SELECTIVE MULTI-PASS SERVOWRITING AND SELF-SERVOWRITING, by Richard M. Ehrlich, filed July 18, 2003.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1325 for any matter in connection with this Preliminary Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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